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Applicant: Baucum Serial No.: 10/634,256

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In the Office Action dated March 15, 2006, a number of objections and rejections were raised. Each of these objections and rejections will be addressed in the same order as provided in the Office Action. The applicant appreciates the Examining Attorney issuing another non-final Office Action so that issues with the new references can be flushed out.

Election/Restrictions

The Examining Attorney correctly identified that Group II with claims 9-16 are the elected group. Since it does not appear that there is a generic claim in Group II which the applicant can use to get back to claims 1-8, the enclosed amendment cancels claims 1-8. Should the applicant decide to do so, a divisional style application may be later pursued for such potential protection in a subsequent filing.

Response to Argument

The applicant appreciates the Examiner indicating that the arguments filed on December 23, 2005 regarding the rejection of claims 9-16 were persuasive.